# We Remember and Celebrate the Life of Mother Knether Lee

Sunrise

Sunset August 29, 1930 August 23, 2017

## Homegoing Service

Friday, September I, 2017 at 10:00 am Acts Full Gospel Church of God in Christ 1034 66th Avenue Oakland, CA 94607

Host Pastor: Bishop Bob Jackson

Officiant: Pastor Kevin Hope

Acts Full Gospel Church of God in Christ

# Order of Service for Mother Knether Lee

#### OFFICIATING:

# Pastor Kevin Hope Acts Full Gospel Church of God in Christ

Processional	Acts Full Gospel Music Dept.
	Pastor Ronald G.Thompson Prayer Tower C.O.G.I.C.
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament – Psalms 92:12-15	Sr. Associate Act Full Gospel
New Testament – Revelations 14:12-14	Elder Cedric Slack Mingleton Temple C.O.G.I.C.
Praise & Worship	Acts Full Gospel C.O.G.I.C.
Praise Dance	Jaydah & Jaymie Richard
Selection	Mother Knether Lee Memorial Choir
Acknowledgement of Cards, Resolutions and CondolencesCarmen Marshall	
Selection	Mother Knether Lee Memorial Choir
Words of Expression (2 minutes each	)Clergy
Words of Expression (2 minutes each	)Family & Friends
Special Tributes	Missionary Alice Evans, Missionary Scellerstene Felts, Charlotte Guinn and Grandchildren
Obituary Reading	Peggy Watts
Sermonic Solo	Robin Hodge - Williams
Eulogy	Mingleton Temple Church of God in Christ
Recessional	

## Reflections of Life

nether Lee was very fortunate to be taught the principles of holiness at an early age making her a living testimony of Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it. Her parents Lucenda and Joe Lee Riley Sr. were devout Christians in the Church of God in Christ under the leadership of the late Elder L.H. White of Louisiana. Knether was born in Marion, Louisiana on August 29, 1930. She attended grammar school in Marion, but traveled to the nearby town of Farmersville for High School. She attended Grambling University in Grambling, LA, before coming to Oakland, California to live in 1952.

pon coming to Oakland, she fellowshipped with many relatives and friends at Mingleton Temple Church of God in Christ, under the late Pastor I.J. Mingleton. She later joined Holy Temple Church of God in Christ, where she received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in 1953 under the late Pastor Monroe Jones. After the home-going of Pastor Jones she united with Mingleton Temple, then pastored by the late Elder V.F. Devers. Pastor Devers in 1970, allowed Knether to go and assist the then Superintendent, the late Bishop Marshall Q.C. Simmons with the start of a new church, Agnes Memorial Church of God in Christ. She served diligently there as the Church Mother for over twenty years.

hile a member at Agnes Memorial, Mother Lee brought many to Christ with her words of wisdom, prayers of intercession and deeds of hospitality, walking in the integrity of the scriptures, "...Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore with loving kindness I have drawn you." Jer. 31:3. Later she was appointed under the late Mother Pearl Wilburn and the late Bishop German Ross as District Missionary of the Greater East Bay District to the then Superintendent, the late Bishop Martin J. Clifton. She later returned to her roots at Greater Mingleton Temple Church, under the leadership of the late Superintendent, John M. Evans. In 1994, she was installed as the District Missionary of the Progressive District, under the late Jurisdictional Supervisor Vada Turner of the California Northeast Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction led by the late Bishop LaFar Johnson.

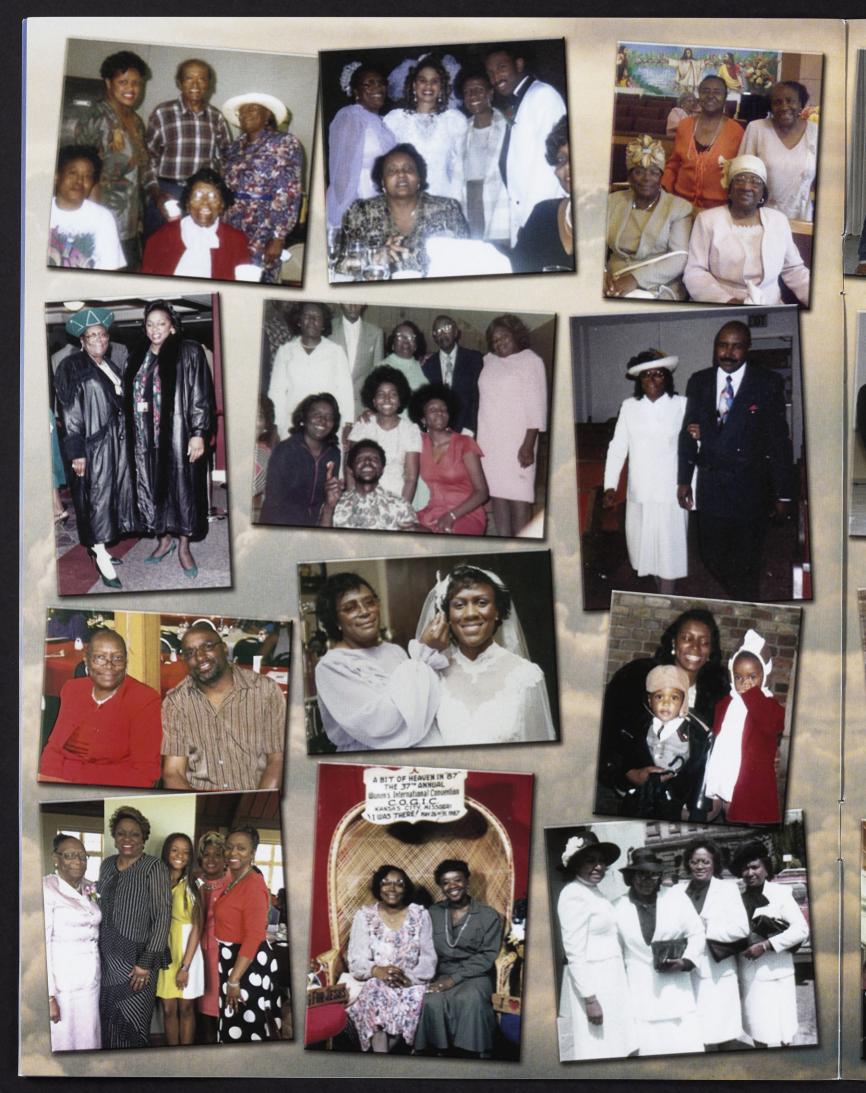
n addition to her calling as one of God's choice handmaidens, Mother Lee worked as a certified nurse for seventeen years, worked for the City of Oakland for eighteen years, retiring in 1993. She soon began working part-time for Rose's Daycare owned by Charlotte (Rose) Guinn for nineteen years, where she was affectionately called Mama Lee.

other Lee enjoyed her life. She loved going to church to pray, visiting the sick and the shut-in. She loved encouraging young people, especially young women. She was kind-hearted and always had a good attitude. She was an early riser and believed in taking care of business. She would say, "A stitch in time saves nine." When not at church, she loved basketball. She watched the games oftentimes wearing her basketball jersey. She went to exercise class twice a week and she loved doing cross-word puzzles daily. She loved her family and they loved her and called her blessed!

he was preceded in death by her parents Lucenda and Joe L. Riley Sr.; four brothers, Floyd Riley, Andrew Riley, Joe L. Riley Jr. and Booker T. Riley; three sisters, Elizabeth Riley, Beulah Haile and Emma Lewis; her husband of 63 years, Emmett Lee Jr. She leaves to cherish her memory and legacy three sisters, Ella V. Goodman of Lakeview Terrace, CA, Marguaree Milton of Tacoma, WA, Eugenia Goodman of Castaic, CA; one brother, Clemon T. (Gloria) Riley of San Francisco, CA; three daughters Arteria V. (Wilbert) Davenport, Bernetha (Rene) Stephens both residing in Hayward, CA and Lavonda R. Bryant, residing in Mission Viejo, CA; two sons Earl W. (Nicole) Lee residing in Antioch, CA and Cedric K. Lee, residing in Oakland, CA; eleven grandsons, Antonio L. (Chanette) Campbell, Jason W. (Jolene) Lee, Phillip M. (Cristina) Davenport, David E. Bryant, Erik K. Lee, Victor L. Bryant, Andrew L. Davenport, Arman H. (Samantha) Bryant, Patrick L. Bryant, Quentin E. Bryant, and Justus S. Lee; five granddaughters, Randi R. (James) Richard, Asia M. Evans, Reina M. Stephens, Angelica K. Davenport, and Shekinah C.V. Bryant; twelve great grandchildren and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends.









## **Pallbearers**

Antonio Luis Campbell Jr.
Philip Michael Davenport
David Earl Bryant
Andrew Lawrence Davenport
Earl Wendel Lee
Michael Riley

## Honorary Pallbearers

Mother Alfreda Clifton
Mother Barbara McElhaney
Mother Aline Lothlen
Missionary Pauline William
Missionary Gloria Riley
Gloria Riley-Jones

### Interment

Rolling Hills Memorial Park 4100 Hilltop Drive Richmond, CA

## Repast

Acts Full Gospel C.O.G.I.C. 1034 66th Avenue Oakland, CA 94607

## Acknowledgements

On behalf of the Lee family, we would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, calls, texts, flowers, donations and visits during our time of bereavement. We are truly grateful for the outpour of love and generosity. It has been an amazing source of comfort to us.

God bless you all!

#### A Special Thanks to:

Mingleton Temple Church Family, Acts Full Gospel Church, Glad Tidings Church, Agnes Memorial Church, Josey Scott, Andrian A. Riley, Gloria Riley-Jones, Carmen Marshall and Peggy Watts

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